UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

LUIS ACEVEDO GARCIA, et al. Plaintiffs

VS.

CIVIL NO. 97-2639 (JP)

HON. ROBERTO VERA MONROIG, et al. Defendants

ORDER

MOTION RULING

Date Filed: February 2, 2001

Docket: # 130

[] Plffs [] Defts [X] Other

Title: Motion Withdrawing Legal

Representation

DENIED. Attorney Orlando Fernández of the law firm of García & Fernández, who represents co-Defendants the Honorable Roberto Vera Monroig, Mayor of Adjuntas and Ms. Irma González, in their perosal capacities has asked this Court 1) for leave to withdraw as legal counsel; 2) for proceedings in this case to be stayed for thirty (30) days; and 3) for the Department of Justice to be granted thirty (30) days to appoint new attorneys for co-Defendants Vera Monroig and González in their personal capacities. All requests are hereby DENIED. Attorney Orlando Fernández and the law firm of García & Fernández will not be allowed to withdraw form this case unless and until new attorneys make an appearance on the aforementioned co-Defendants' behalf. Therefore, Attorney Orlando Fernández of the law-firm of García & Fernandez is responsible for all proceedings in this case until this Court orders otherwise.

Date: 2 /5/02

JATME PIERAS, JR. U.S. Senior District Judge

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